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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of  
Burbank et al.

) Examiner: Matthew D. Dryden

) Group Art Unit: 3736

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) For: **TISSUE ACCESSING AND**  
) **ANCHORING DEVICE AND METHOD**

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) Serial No.: 10/729,086

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 20, 2006, please amend this application as indicated below: